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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to Legal Length of Salmon and Weight and Number of Certain Fish Taken from Sebago Lake.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment of the Legislature unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the following legislation is vitally necessary to permit fishing for salmon or togue from Sebago Lake, Cumberland County; and

Whereas, permitting fishing is one of Maine's greatest recreational assets and conservation of fish for both the inhabitants of Maine and its summer visitors is vital to the economy of the State; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 12, § 2553, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 2553 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding at the end, a new sentence, as follows:

'This paragraph shall not apply to Sebago Lake, Cumberland County.'

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 12, § 2553, amended. Section 2553 of Title 12 of the Re-

vised Stattues is amended by inserting after the 2nd paragraph, a new paragraph, as follows:

'No person shall take, catch or kill in any one day or have in possession at any time more than $7\frac{1}{2}$ pounds or 5 fish in the aggregate of trout, salmon, togue and black bass unless the last fish caught increases the combined weight to more than $7\frac{1}{2}$ pounds. This paragraph shall apply only to Sebago Lake, Cumberland County.'

- Sec. 3. R. S., T. 12, § 2553, sub-§ 1, amended. Subsection 1 of section 2553 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:
- '1. Salmon or togue. A salmon or togue less than 14 inches in length except that the length limit on salmon taken from any of the waters in Aroostook County shall be 12 inches and except that the legal length of salmon taken from Sebago Lake, Cumberland County, shall be 13 inches;'

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.